eTakeoff

Database Upgrades / Conversions for "Common database (Project Sharing) & Database on separate computer" Environments

Major releases of eTakeoff often require conversion of the databases. In the "Common database (Project Sharing) & Database on a separate computer" environment, this requires a coordinated effort. The **databases must be converted while they are not in use.** All clients must be upgraded to the new release before they can access the converted data.

On Each Client

1. Make sure the estimator is not using eTakeoff Dimension or eTakeoff Bridge.

2. If the estimator uses the eTakeoff Excel Add-in, make sure they are not running Excel.

3. If the eTakeoff Excel add-in is in use and clients wish to use Excel (for ANY workbooks) during the conversion period, do the following to disable the add-in:

    a. Exit any running copies of Excel.

    b. While running eTakeoff, select "Admin/User Preferences…" from the main menu.

    c. Click on the "General" tab.

    d. UN-check the box "Use eTakeoff Excel Add-in".

    e. Press "OK"

On the Server

1. Navigate to the database folder **on the server.**

2. Download the conversion program "eTkoDBCvt.exe" and the document describing its operation "eTkoDBCvtHelp.pdf" to the Data Folder by clicking on the link below. (Unzip the downloaded file.)

    http://etakeoff.com/download/eTakeoffDBCvt50.zip

3. Double click on the eTkoDBCvt.exe file to run it. It will perform any needed data conversion. **BE SURE TO RUN IT ON THE SERVER. IF YOU RUN IT ON A CLIENT IT WILL TAKE FOREVER TO FINISH!**

On Each Client

1. Install the software upgrades.

    http://etakeoff.com/download/eTakeoffUpgSetup50023.exe

2. If the eTakeoff Excel Add-in was disabled before the conversion, re-enable it:

    a. Exit any running copies of Excel.

    b. While running eTakeoff, select "Admin/User Preferences…" from the main menu.

    c. Click on the "General" tab.

    d. Check the box "Use eTakeoff Excel Add-in".

    e. Press "OK"

    f. In Excel you may need to re-enable the add-in.

Technical Assistance:

If you need assistance, contact eTakeoff support here.